The Village of Northfield

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING June 12, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nehez at 7:30 p.m., and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Nehez.

ROLL CALL was read by Brad Bryan. The following officials were present: Councilpersons Nick Magistrelli, Keith Czerr, Alan Hipps, Jennifer Domzalski, and Gary Vojtush. Also present for the meeting were Law Director Brad Bryan, Engineer Rich Wasosky, Police Chief John Zolgus, Fire Captain Joe Zemek, and Service Director Jason Walters.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the Minutes from the May 22, 2019 Council Meeting was made by Mr. Hipps and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. The Minutes were approved with four yes votes and Ms. Domzalski abstaining.

Mayor Nehez turned the floor over to Captain Joe Zemek and Dan Ellinberg, a representative from University Hospitals EMS Institute. Captain Zemek stated through this partnering, the Village was able to get four new Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) for the Police Department. Captain Zemek thanked University Hospitals and Dan Ellinberg for their tremendous support of the Village Fire and Police Departments. Chief Zolgus also expressed his gratitude to Mr. Ellinberg.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, AND REMONSTRANCES: None.

REPORTS OF MUNICIPAL OFFICERS:

Mayor Jesse Nehez – Mayor Nehez stated he contacted the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, to get information regarding help for improvements to the Pitluk Preserve.

Finance Director, Tricia Ingrassia – Absent, no report.

Engineer, Rich Wasosky – Report attached.

Law Director, Brad Bryan – Mr. Bryan read the April 2019 Mayor's Court Monthly Disbursal Report (report attached) for acceptance by Council. A motion for acceptance was made by Mr. Magistrelli and seconded by Mr. Vojtush. All were in favor of the motion for acceptance; none were opposed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Police Department, Chief Zolgus – Report attached.

Fire Department, Captain Joe Zemek – No report.

Service Department, Jason Walters – Mr. Walters stated May Cleanup Month is over and went well, even with the Houghton Road construction. Mr. Walters reported lawn maintenance seems

to be an issue due to the amount of rain. Mr. Walters also stated catch basin repairs behind the Plaza are underway and the dirt has been added to the ball diamonds. He stated some of the ordinances need to be updated relating to property lines, grass, and other Building Department related issues.

Mr. Czerr asked about the purpose of the yellow tape by the basketball court at Huntington Park. Mr. Walters stated it was to keep children away from the weed killer that was sprayed. Mr. Czerr also asked if dirt was going to be put down at the Huntington baseball diamond. Mr. Walters stated the Service Department put 60 tons of dirt there already. Mr. Czerr stated it is all eroded already. Ms. Domzalski requested scheduling the Work Session for updating the legislation requested by Mr. Walters. Mr. Magistrelli stated the Work Session would be June 26, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the fence and weed and grass ordinances. Ms. Domzalski also requested they discuss the banners that Ms. Noack is recommending if time permits.

REPORTS OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

Planning Commission, Mr. Hipps: – Mr. Hipps stated there was a Planning Commission meeting tentatively scheduled for June 19, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Since no plans were submitted, the meeting is unnecessary.

Recreation Board, Mayor Nehez – Mayor Nehez stated the June 5 Recreation Board Meeting was cancelled due to the weather. The next Recreation Board Meeting will be June 27, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Village Hall.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES:

Finance Committee, Mr. Magistrelli – Mr. Magistrelli stated the next Finance Committee Meeting will be June 26, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Roads/Public Works, Ms. Domzalski – No report.

Health and Welfare, Mr. Czerr – No report.

Wages and Working Conditions, Mr. Vojtush – Mr. Vojtush stated there are two ordinances on the agenda to promote two members of our Police Department.

Fire and Safety, Ms. Noack – No report.

Buildings and Grounds, Mr. Hipps – No report.

LEGISLATION:

2019-35 – An Emergency Resolution Authorizing the Tax Budget of the Village of Northfield, Ohio for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2020 and Submitting the Same to the County Fiscal Officer (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Magistrelli and seconded by Mr. Vojtush. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Ms. Domzalski. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.

- **2019-36** An Emergency Resolution Authorizing the Director of Finance to Transfer Funds Representing Uncashed Checks to the Village's Unclaimed Fund (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Hipps and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Hipps and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.
- 2019-37 An Emergency Resolution Establishing a New Fund Known as the FEMA Grant Fund within the Financial Records of the Village (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Mr. Hipps. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.
- 2019-38 An Emergency Resolution Amending the Limits of Established Open Blanket Purchase Orders (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Hipps and seconded by Mr. Vojtush. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.
- **2019-39** An Emergency Resolution Authorizing Certain Amendments to the 2019 Appropriation Resolution and/or Transferring Items Already Appropriated in that Resolution (First Reading). Mr. Bryan gave a brief description of the amendments and transfers. A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Magistrelli and seconded by Mr. Hipps. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Ms. Domzalski, and seconded by Mr. Hipps. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.
- 2019-40 An Emergency Resolution Authorizing Euthenics, Inc. to Complete the Final Design Work for the Houghton Road Mill, Repair, and Resurfacing Project (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Hipps and seconded by Ms. Domzalski. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Hipps and seconded by Ms. Domzalski. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.
- **2019-41** An Emergency Resolution Confirming the Mayor/Director of Public Safety's Appointment of Brian Zajac to the Rank of Police Lieutenant (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Mr. Hipps. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.
- **2019-42** An Emergency Resolution Confirming the Mayor/Director of Public Safety's Appointment of Brian Zambach to the Rank of Sergeant (First Reading). A motion to suspend the three reading rule was made by Mr. Vojtush and seconded by Mr. Hipps. All were in favor of suspending the three reading rule; none were opposed. A motion for passage was made by Mr.

Vojtush and seconded by Ms. Domzalski. All were in favor of passage; none were opposed. The Resolution was adopted.

OLD BUSINESS; NEW BUSINESS; ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mr. Czerr thanked the Service Department for the installation of the sign on Ledge Road. Mr. Czerr asked if the fire hydrants would be maintained this summer. Mayor Nehez stated the State Route 8 hydrants are on the Service Department's list of things to do. Mr. Czerr requested more flower baskets be placed at the utility posts around where the stoplights are. Mayor Nehez stated he would look into that request.

Mr. Vojtush thanked everyone for their support for the Autism fundraisers that were held.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Domzalski and seconded by Mr. Magistrelli. All were in favor of adjournment; none were opposed. The Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Tricia Ingrassia, Clerk of Council